

## Superintendent's Message

December, 2018 and January, 2019

As the winter holidays are approaching it is always time to pause and reflect on the past year and the year to come. During these busy holidays we understand the hustle and bustle that takes place. Findlay City Schools will be forever grateful to this community for all it does for our students and families. Our partnerships with the Community Foundation, United Way, Children's Mentoring Connection, Feed a Child, Clothe a Child and many more, make the holidays for many of our students and their families brighter. I hope that you are able to take time to Sharpen the Saw and enjoy your time together during winter break.

As this winter weather approaches, please remember to sign up for text alerts regarding school delays and cancellations. You can do this by clicking on this link <http://www.fcs.org/text.htm>. We understand that our decision to delay or cancel has a big impact on families. Please go to <http://www.fcs.org/delay.shtml> for a full explanation on how these decisions are made. Also, remember to dress your children appropriately for the weather. If at all possible, the buildings try to get the students outside during the day for recess. If you need assistance with a coat, hat or gloves please plan to attend Coats for Christmas at Glenwood Middle School 1715 N. Main Street (use the back doors on the east side of the building) on December 8<sup>th</sup> from 9 am – 3 pm and December 9<sup>th</sup> from 1 pm - 3 pm. Flu shots will also be available at Coats for Christmas while supplies last.

The 2018-19 school year is flying by and it is an exciting time for education in Findlay City Schools. The first semester will end on January 4, 2019. Students are busy taking exams and getting prepared for the second semester. Our staff continues to work diligently to bring the best teaching strategies to the classroom. As we move forward, we are working to expand our S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) programs and increase our project-based learning

As always, we want to be sure to keep the lines of communications open. If at any time you have questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact me at [ekurt@fcs.org](mailto:ekurt@fcs.org).

From our Findlay City School family to yours, Happy Holidays and have a Wonderful New Year!

Sincerely,

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